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**RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION**

RE: Application No.: 10/802,385  
Invention: LOW-CLEARANCE SHUTTER SLAT  
Applicant: Miller, James V.  
Filed: March 17, 2004  
Art Unit: 3634  
Examiner: Johnson, Blair M  
Our File No.: P00918-US-00

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the office action of September 29, 2005. Please amend the above-identified application as provided below, and consider the following. Included herewith is a check for \$160.00 to cover the fee for a one-month extension of time (\$60.00) and one additional independent claim (\$100.00). Additionally, please provide any extensions of time that may be necessary and charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 09-0007.